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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), an extension of time of three-months is hereby requested to file a Request for Continued Examination and accompanying Amendment. A Final Office Action was mailed on May 25, 2006, an Advisory Action was mailed on August 17, 2006, and an Interview Summary was issued on November 24, 2006.

A three-month extension is respectfully requested, making the due date, Monday, November 27, 2006, as November 25, 2006, fell on a Saturday. As a two-month extension of time was requested in a Petition for Extension of Time filed on October 25, 2006, and as the Commissioner was authorized to charge a fee of \$450.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17 for the two-month extension of time by way of the aforementioned petition, only \$570.00 is believed


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to be due with the present Petition for Extension of Time. However, if the Commissioner deems that \$1,020.00 is due in connection with the present petition for a three-month extension of time, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2461 for that amount.

Moreover, if any additional fees are due or any overpayment has been made, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2461 or credit our Deposit Account for such sum. Such authorization includes authorization to charge fees for extensions of time, if any, under 37 C.F.R § 1.17 and also should be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in this submission or any future submission pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning the above, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number given below.

Respectfully submitted,


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